

Application No. 10/018,319  
Amendment

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**REMARKS**


Claims 1-57 and 59-99 were pending in the application. Claims 1-57 and 59-99 were subject to restriction requirement. Claims 1-20, 30-57, 59-73, and 76-99 are canceled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. Claims 21-29, 74, and 75 are now pending in the application. Claim 21 is the independent claim.

Applicants elect the invention of Group II, claims 21-29, 74, and 75, for further examination. Accordingly, claims 1-20, 30-57, 59-73, and 76-99 are canceled.

Examination of the amended application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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